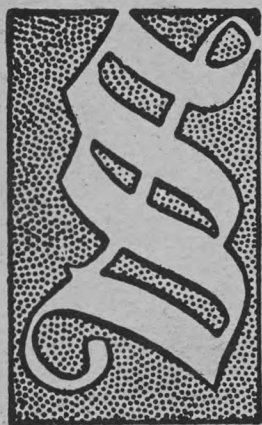
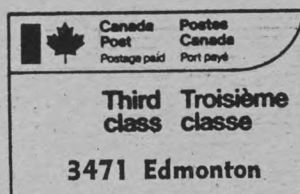
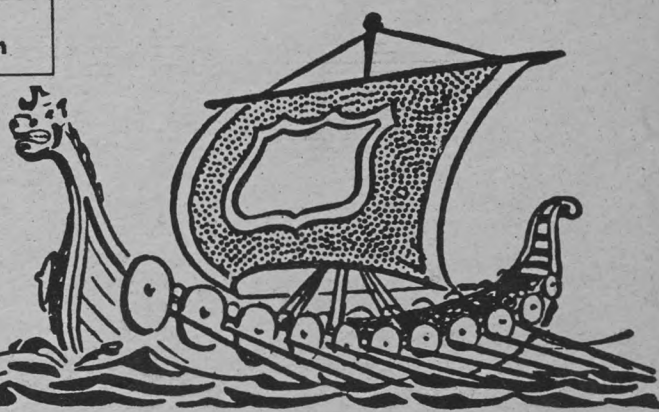


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A WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR

CBC-TV programs sold to Sweden and Great Britain

Swedish Hockey Star Is Killed

One of the best and perhaps the most popular ice hockey player in Sweden, Lennart Svedberg, was killed in a car accident. He was the only Swedish hockey player who had trained both with the Canadians and Russians. He trained with the Detroit Red Wings and with the CSKA in Moscow, the best team in the Soviet Union. Twice he was chosen to the All Star Team after the amateur world championships.

After he had been both in Detroit and Moscow he was asked whom he thought were the better team, Canada or Russia. Then he answered that he thought a Canadian team would win over a Russian team. This winter we shall see if he was right.

Sales of CBC television programs and series to markets in Sweden, Scotland and England, were announced by A. H. Partridge, divisional head of the Corporation's foreign relations and export sales department.

To Sveriges Radio (Swedish Broadcasting Corporation), the one-hour documentary, "The Gooks", focusing on the tragedy of children mutilated by war, and the regenerative work of the Centre for Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery in Saigon, South Vietnam. The co-production by CBC and Children's Medical Relief International was the work of the award-winning French film-maker, Pierre Gaisseau. It was first seen on CBC-TV's "Tuesday Night" series, and was subsequently sold to NBC-TV in the United States.

"The Write-Off", by George Salverson, starring Gerard Parkes as a middle-aged executive faced with joblessness, has also been sold to Sveriges Radio; and the same network in Sweden has purchased a half-hour film comedy from the series "Canadian Short Stories"—"The

Mariposa Bank Mystery", by Stephen Leacock, starring Mavor Moore and daughter Tedde. The latter was telecast in the 1970-71 CBC-TV season. "The Write-Off", produced on tape by Rudi Dorn, was seen on the Festival series in 1968, and has formerly been sold to National Educational Television (NET) in the United States, and to the BBC in Britain.

Also included were two programs from "The Nature Of Things" series — "The Ice Lovers" and "The Polar Bear".

NEW REGISTER NUMBERS FOR SWEDISH CARS

By Ove Kampe

On the first of January 1974 all Swedish cars will have new register numbers. The Swedish provinces now have a different letter and then figures, e.g. a person from Stockholm can have A23580. But now it will be 3 letters and then 3 figures. The first car with this new number has CCO380. With this new system you can't tell where the cars come from.

Of The Scandinavian Centre News

By Ole Knudsen

The task of a director is, I believe, to guide and otherwise keep himself quietly in the background. This is fine if he is in a lucrative business where profit-making is no problem, but when expenses exceed revenue by a substantial margin, it is not so easy to do. There comes a day when he has to face his shareholders.

The Scandinavian Centre News was started as, and still is, our medium of communication with the shareholders of the Scandinavian Centre Co-operative Association. As such I believe it performs a very useful function. It could even be a two-way communication if more of our readers would write to the paper with their viewpoints and opinions.

The paper is mailed out to some 3,000 shareholders every month at a total cost of approximately \$760.00 per month. Our revenue last month was approximately \$460.00. The total deficit for 1971 was \$4,109.00. And here we come to a sore point. There are only two sources of income,

advertising and donations. I do not think that we can ever hope to get enough revenue from advertising to cover the cost of the paper, which means that we always will be looking for donations to keep the deficit to a minimum.

I am, therefore, making an appeal to those of our readers who have not yet donated to the paper to send a donation, big or small, addressed to the paper and mailed either to the Scandinavian Centre or to the Managing Editor at 8411 - 103 Street, Edmonton.

Finally, I thank everyone sincerely, who already has donated money to help defray the cost of the paper.

Smile

Waitress: "How do you like your tea, sir?"

He: "Just like I like my women—hot, sweet and weak!"



The Reykjavic City Band celebrated its 50th Anniversary by touring Western Canada. The

Tour Leader is Gisli Gudmundson and the group, including wives, totalled 50. They

were billeted in private homes during their overnight stay in Edmonton. At a reception in

the Viking Room of the Scandinavian Centre (above), over 100 turned out to greet them.

(Photo by Wells Studios)

SPLINTERS from the BOARD

by Soren Sorensen

PICNIC RAINED OUT

This summer is just about gone and winter will soon be on us. The Annual Picnic was rained out. The weather is one thing we can't change.

CHARTER FLIGHTS

Our Charter Flights have been fully booked so far this year and it looks very promising for the rest of the year with our Charter Flight.

RADIO REPORT

The Scandinavian Show is on CFCW Radio Station every Saturday morning at 10:30—790 kc on your AM dial. The Scandinavian Centre Report is broadcast on this program at approximately 11:25 a.m. Allan Larson will give the report for the month of September.

If you have any news for the month of September, please call Allan Larson, phone: res. 488-0560, bus. 488-8284.

Centre Flight Returns Aug. 28



Vera Nielsen and Jim Johnson of Wardair taken an hour before departure of Flight 41 to Oslo, Norway.

The Scandinavian Centre Story

(As Compiled From The Minutes Of Meetings)

In the year 1953, three very energetic men were broadcasting a well-received Scandinavian hour over station C.K.U.A. every Sunday afternoon. They were Mr. Oivind Madsen, Mr. Erik Pedersen and Mr. Ernst Almerling. They developed an IDEA. What was this idea? Simply that Scandinavians should bond together to provide for themselves a meeting place. They met at the home of Mr. Scerre Madsen to discuss the IDEA further. To get things moving they decided to ask each Nordic group to send two representatives to a joint meeting.

This was done, and the representatives met on October 4, 1953 at the Y.M.C.A. in downtown Edmonton. It was an historic meeting for it marked the beginning of what was to become THE SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION LTD., commonly known as "THE SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE".

Mr. Sigurd A. Sorenson presided over the first meeting and Mrs. Margaret Eliasson recorded the first minutes—Tom

Nielsen was the first manager. Each of the following assumed responsibilities of probing further into the dream of a Scandinavian Centre: Mons Eliasson, Jorgen Cleerup, S. Hadvick, Arne Johannessen, Henry Logan, O. S. Franzen, Schang Halberg, V. Cederquist, Cris Bendsen, Ernst Almerling, Erik Pedersen, Olivind Madsen and Ingjald Dalflyen.

Although each phase in the development of the Scandinavian Centre has a long history and involves many people, in this brief story the following outline only will suffice.

March 20, 1954 — First Annual Scandinavian Night—South Side Legion.

April 28, 1954 — The Scandinavian Centre incorporated under the Co-operative Act of the Province of Alberta.

July 25, 1954 — First Annual Scandinavian Day—Elk Island Park.

July 29, 1954 — The First Annual General Meeting of Shareholders —Y.M.C.A.

November 1, 1958 — The First Scandinavian News was published.

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By Claus Jacobsen

Scandinavian Centre Flight No. 41 left July 13 at 7 p.m. from Nisku Airport with 170 people aboard Wardair bound for Copenhagen. The 41st Flight was, as well as Flight No. 40, to Oslo, organized by Mrs. Vera Nielsen.

Mrs. Nielsen and her husband, Thorvald (Tom) Nielsen (Former Manager of the Scandinavian Centre), were aboard, together with several people who are on their third and fourth trips with Scandinavian Centre Charter Flights.

Vera Nielsen has organized over 29 flights for the Centre, almost with 100% success on all of them, mainly because of her business talent and because she is on call almost 24 hours a day. Always available for advice regarding the flight, memberships, passports, etc.

The Niensens are on a well-deserved holiday in their home country, Denmark, and also traveling all over Europe on a Eurailpass.

The flight returned on Aug. 28 at Nisku Airport. Hope you all had a happy holiday and thanks for traveling on our Charter Flight. Let's hear from you. Welcome back!

June 22, 1962 — The First Chartered Flight to Scandinavia.
February 12, 1963 — A decision was made to purchase 3.28 acres for \$10,000.00 at 14220-125 Avenue.

October 27, 1963 — The Sod-Turning Ceremonies.

June 20, 1964 — The Centre Officially Opened.

And so with the opening of the Centre, the idea of the radio broadcasters was fulfilled—a meeting place, a social Centre for Scandinavians was provided. It is a beehive of activities—socials, folk-dancing, meetings, and many other activities.

The second objective of the Centre was formulated at the official opening when two pioneers—Mr. Emil Skarin and Mr. Gustav Algot laid the corner stone. The plaque on that corner

Letter to the Editor

Mr. L. L. Morris
Managing Editor,
Scandinavian Centre News

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a donation to the paper which we enjoy very much.

Although it is very late to do so, I would like to thank Mrs. Berdahl, who, while I was in the hospital, visited me on behalf of the Scandinavian Society.

Yours truly,
Florence M. Ehly
(Mrs. L. J. Ehly)
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Dear Editor:

We would appreciate if you would print the following in your paper.

"The Canadian Mental Health Association depends on volunteers for many of their programs. The foster home and the Community Lifeline are two programs that are in desperate need of volunteers at the present time.

"Mental Health—Alberta" needs foster homes for various people. The foster home is to give a person with emotional problems a home atmosphere and to help the person's rehabilitation process back into community life. Individuals who are in need of a foster home vary in age from young to old and also vary in the type of home they need. The supervision varies from light to strict depending on the individual and remuneration is paid accordingly. Room and board will be paid by Social Development.

"There is also a need for volunteers for the Lifeline Program. This requires someone who is willing to take time to develop and carry on a new friendship with an individual who is undergoing a period of emotional stress. The volunteers have to be willing to help the individual reclaim his place in the community through vocational, social and personal activities. There is no age limit on the volunteer and both male and female are welcome.

"If you are interested in either of these programs phone 425-8692 or 422-6137."

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Margaret Siemens
(Field Representative)

stone reads:
"Dedicated To The Scandinavian
Pioneers Of Western Canada"
June 20, 1964

It is hoped that an Anthology of "Scandinavian Pioneers" will be published from the pioneer stories appearing in the Scandinavian News from month to month. Imaginative directors will no doubt find other ways to honor our Scandinavian pioneers to whom we owe so much.

The third objective is to assist Scandinavians to make a greater contribution to Canadian Culture of what is good in the background and culture of Scandinavia. Scandinavians have made a great contribution in most fields of activity—discovery and exploration, industry, the arts, and in politics. The present
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ICELANDIC Newsletter

By Shirley Thorsteinson

(Clip this out for future reference)

ICELANDIC WHIST

Two ladies and two gentlemen play at each table, a couple are partners. The tables are numbered. When each game is finished, the winning couple moves—the lady to the higher numbered table, the gentleman to the lower numbered table, but the gentleman moves one seat to the left, and deals the next hand. (The lady that stays always starts the next play.)

Regular whist rules apply (except for "nolo"). Ace is always high card. Highest total score wins.

Orders of trump is as follows: Spades, hearts, "grand" (no trump, most tricks taken wins the hand), clubs, diamonds, "nolo" (no trump, fewest tricks taken wins the hand).

There will be a Whist Party at the Scandinavian Centre on Sun., Sept. 24 at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Come and bring a deck of cards. Coffee and dessert will be served.

The next executive meeting will be held at Barney Thorlakson's, 15006 - 77 Ave., at 8:00 p.m., Tues., Sept. 5.

Congratulations to Beverly Arason who passed Grade XII with honors. She will be entering Pharmacy at the University of Alberta in September.

Mickey Shaw's mother, Mrs. Lauga Peterson, of Gimli, Man., won the raffled trip to Iceland in 1974.

The highlight of August was the visit of the Reykjavik City Brass Band. The weatherman cooperated by providing sunshine along with a few raindrops during

the concert at the Legislative Building Bandshell.

Later, at the banquet held at the Scandinavian Centre, special guests were the Hon. Horst Schmid, Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation, who brought greetings from the province of Alberta, to the members of the band; and Acting Mayor, Alderman Una MacLean Evans, who spoke on behalf of Mayor Dent, welcoming the band members to Edmonton.

Barney Thorlakson, President extended a welcome from the Icelandic Society with thanks to all who helped make the evening possible.

Gunnar Thorvaldson acted as Master of Ceremonies and explained to those present why Alberta, as home of the famous Icelandic poet, Stefan G. Stefansson, is important to Icelanders.

Gisli Gudmundsson, tour director, thanked the province, city, and the Icelandic Society for the hospitality and presented a commemorative ceramic plaque and banner to the Hon. Horst Schmid, Acting Mayor Evans, and Barry Thorlakson.

Mrs. Marie Chaumont entertained the guests with her songs "Back To Iceland", "Look Out Man" and "Song To A Wild Goose". Ross Le Grandeur impressed the audience with his ability on the banjo.

The Icelandic Society executive extends its thanks to all those who worked to make this event a success.

NOTE: The photograph taken at the dinner may be ordered from Mrs. Ninna Campbell, phone 476-0482, 5612-142A Ave. until Sept. 15. The price is \$3.00. Thereafter they may be ordered from Wells Studios, phone 424-6262, 422-1522, 70-10025 Jasper Ave. The photographer was Mr. Jackson.

Next month's news correspondent will be Mrs. Ninna Campbell, phone 476-0482.

Motoring in Norway is a scenic delight

Driving is still one of life's pleasures in Norway, where the motorist's question, "How far is it to the scenic spots?" seems out of place, because, as the Norwegians politely point out, you're there all the time.

Norway's roads are themselves among the country's leading scenic attractions; and their picturesque routes along fjords, across mountains and past glaciers and waterfalls introduce breath-taking sights at every turn. Hairpin bends on mountain routes offer extra thrills, but roads are well-kept and safe, and good hotels are always nearby. The new "Auto Hotel" vouchers provide an ideal system for motorists, and these vouchers can be bought in North America before departure.

The fabulous terrain and frequent fjord crossings by ferry make travel times deceptive to the motorist planning his trip. Bergen and Oslo, for example, are linked by express trains in 8 hours, and planes make it in one. But the most interesting and direct auto route is 310 miles, a day's drive in America, but you'll need three days for it in Norway, where 100 to 150 miles a day is considered a comfortable maximum.

This is exactly the reason why any motoring trip of Scandinavia should start preferably in Bergen or Stavanger, both being famous gateways in Norway's Fjord Country.

Information about motoring vacations in Norway—including maps, folders and route descriptions—is available from Scandinavian National Tourist Offices, 505 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y. 10017 or 3600 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90010.



Get lost in Norway and the chances are that a pretty, perky "tourist pilot" will zip over on a motorscooter and lead you back on track. Oslo and five other Norwegian cities now boast corps of attractive helmeted guidettes whose sole duty is to

aid the lost and the perplexed. Oslo has 20 of these lovely "mobile tourist offices". Latest sport this spring in Europe has been to "get lost" in Norway. (Photo from Norwegian National Tourist Office)

Rodeo Queen



MISS BONNIE-LYNN GISLASON was chosen Rodeo Queen at the Athabasca Rodeo on July 3 and 4. The activities took place at the fair grounds just south of the town.

Bonnie rode her own saddle horse, "Smoky". The judges were members of the Lions Club who sponsored the Rodeo.

Bonnie is the youngest daughter of Ove and Lorraine Gislason. She is 15 years old and is a Grade 11 student at Edwin Par Composite High School. She is very active in community affairs and has just completed her second year as Counsellor-In-Training at the Y.M.C.A. Camp at Seba Beach.

The Gislason family are members of the Scandinavian Centre and the Icelandic Society in Edmonton.

Items from Norway

An "American Island" In Norway To Become A National Park.

The world-famous Norwegian violinist, Ole Bull (1810-80), who became honorary citizen of New York, and who founded his Utopia in Pennsylvania in 1852, was also owner of Lysøen island near Bergen in Norway's Fjord Country, where he built the state-ly Lysøen Manor in 1872. His American grand-daughter, Mrs. Sylvia Bull Curtis, has now presented the dream island and the manor house to Bergen, to become national property.

Norway gets three new airports

On July 1, three new small community airports in North Norway opened for regular traffic. They are Leknes and Svolvær in Lofoten and Skagen in Vesterålen (see map). This brings to 24 the number

of airports between Bergen and Kirkenes offering regularly scheduled service. In addition, a major airport is under construction at Evenes near Harstad and will be opened next year. A small airstrip is under con-

struction at Narvik.

On June 14, the Government recommended to the Storting that additional small community airports be built in the following locations in Troms and Finnmark: Sørkjosen, Hammerfest, Mehamn, Berlevag and Vadsø. Current plans call for starting construction on these projects next year and taking them into use in 1974.

Norway's topography has effectively isolated a number of coastal communities from the mainstream of life in the country, but the recent expansion of the coastal network of airports has substantially changed this picture. The newest additions are perfect examples of the process of improving communications. It now takes two hours by air from the capital city of Oslo to the Arctic locale of the Lofoten cod fisheries.

The airport expansion program is a result of the work of a Government-appointed committee which presented its unanimous recommendations on December 16, 1964, drawing up one of the most comprehensive programs of expansion ever attempted on the communications sector in Norway. While only jets are used on the major airports as far as to Kirkenes, smaller propeller aircraft such as the Twin Otter are employed on the small airports such as the three just opened.



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SOLGLYT SPOTLIGHT



By Eileen Millang

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, September 16:

Western Barbecue and dance, Viking Room. \$2.50 per person. Bring your own steak. Western dress is optional.

Sunday, September 24:

General Meeting and Heritage Film, Viking Room.

Congratulations go out to **Bill and Connie Overland** on the birth of a son, **Dana Stanley**, July 26, 6 lbs. 11 oz. ***

Concordia College Language Village, Moorehead, wishes to thank the Sons of Norway, Solglyt Lodge #143 for the scholarships that were given the campers this year. Those who attended were: **Anders Anderson, Patricia McBride, Christina Anderson, Diane and Arden Domstad**. Diane and Arden report as follows on this camp:

"Dear Sons of Norway Members:

"We would like to take this time to thank all the people in our lodge who made it possible for us to receive scholarships for the Montana Language Camp. Through these people we were able to enjoy such things as horseback riding, hiking, mountain climbing, soccer games and crafts like rosemaking,



DIANE AND ARDEN DOMSTAD

weaving, wood carving, knitting and making earrings.

At the camp we were well underway in the learning of the Norwegian language when we were snowed in. This, then, enabled us to celebrate a Norwegian Christmas.

"Through the day we would have three language sessions where we learned the basis of the Norwegian language and then with the meals, sports and craft we learned in Norwegian about the history of words and culture.

"Every evening we were able to enjoy dancing and singing by the fire. Some of the Norwegian folk dances were a completely new experience for us while being fun to learn. We would then go to bed and awake to a typical Norwegian breakfast of many different dry crackers, fish, juice and hot cocoa. We were requested to speak Norwegian at all meals.

"By speaking Norwegian we learned the names of all the foods. We would sing a Norwegian grace before and after every meal. We were led to believe we were living in a Norwegian society and culture and, therefore, everything must be Norwegian. We had a store where only Norwegian articles were sold. We had a bank where all our money was changed into the Norwegian currency. We were all given Norwegian names and were only to answer to them.

"The last night of camp the drama club put on a play and we were then given certificates for attending the camp. They also gave out awards for art and poetry. We left early the next morning with beautiful memories, new friends and the knowledge of our ancestry, culture and language.

"We, again, would like to thank all the people who made this trip possible and we certainly appreciate their kindness." ***

Mr. and Mrs. **Sven Tychsen, Randi and Ronald**, enjoyed a wonderful five weeks holiday in Denmark. It was nineteen years since **Sven** left Denmark so there were many happy and emotional reunions visiting his seven sisters and brothers scattered all over Denmark. There were many highlights on the trip which included attending the July 4 "Rebild Fest" where thousands of Danes and Americans celebrated the U.S. Independence Day. Here they saw Queen **Margrethe** and Prince **Henrik**,



ANDERS ANDERSON



PATRICIA MCBRIDE AND CHRISTINA ANDERSON

Sons of Norway Junior Lodge campers who received scholarships from Solglyt Lodge to attend ships from Solglyt Lodge to attend the Concordia Language Villages.

Danny Kaye who was the American speaker and stole the show, Governor **Ronald Reagan** of California who brought greetings from President **Nixon**, **Bjarne Tidman**, popular Danish TV and radio singer and many others including bands.

Legoland, the home of **Lego**, is a miniature city made of **Lego** and the children loved it here. It is unbelievable all the things made out of **lego**.

The **Lions' Park** at **Give**, something quite new, takes you through the Park escorted by vehicles to insure safety as here about forty lions roam freely.

Ribe, Denmark's oldest town, was most interesting with its narrow crooked streets, and old cathedral dating back to the 12th century. It was here they saw the much-talked-about storks. Two were at their nest which was seen clearly on top of City Hall.

Then there was **Tivoli**, the lovely fun park in **Copenhagen**, **Hans Christian Andersen's** Museum House in **Odense**, and many other beautiful and interesting places. In all, Denmark is a beautiful country where people are friendly and the hospitality great. One spends most of his time eating—the Danes love to eat. ***

Haven't received any reports of anyone being ill or in hospital, however, if there is anyone, we wish you a speedy recovery. ***

Sympathy is extended to the family of the late **Mrs. Ragna Arntzen** who passed away Aug. 6.

Bernard and Kay Olafson and children spent a few days at **Jasper** and enjoyed 80-degree temperatures. ***

Grace and Dennis Cook spent their holidays camping and boating with children at **Vernon** and **Mica Creek, B.C.** ***

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS:

Sons of Norway teams start bowling Sept. 12. If you are unable to bowl full time, how about sparing the odd night. ***

The first sewing class of the season will commence Wed., Sept. 13 at 2 p.m. at the home of **Mrs. Olga McBride**. We shall discuss the activities of the coming year, etc.

Next month's reporter will be **Stephanie Johnson**, phone 799-5752.

A tribute to sister Ella Searl



By Ragna Sivertsen

Sister **Ella Searl** passed away June 10 after a lengthy illness.

Sister **Ella** was born in Saskatchewan. Upon marriage, she moved to Alberta.

Ella and **Alvin Searl**, with their daughter, **Anita**, became members of Solglyt Lodge 143, Sons of Norway, in 1960. For three years she held the position of Secretary. She also served as our first correspondent to the Scandinavian Centre News for a number of years.

She leaves to mourn: husband **Al**, daughter **Anita** and her husband, **Wilf**, living in **Victoria, B.C.**, also three sisters and one brother.

Ella's many friends, together with her family, mourn her passing. Her cheery smile will always be remembered by us all.

A GOOD LESSON

The 3-1/2-year-old who sat on his mother's knee clutching a piece of paper in his hand with a 1 cent piece wrapped inside saved for buying bubble gum is today at 18 a junior executive in a department store in **Victoria**. He has never forgotten what he was taught very young—to share with children who have never known the taste of milk. **USC Headquarters** is at 56 Sparks Street, **Ottawa K1P 5B1**. ***

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VASA LODGE SKANDIA



By Pat Hyde

Vasaclub, Pigeon Lake, has proven to be a busy place during the months of July and August.

Children's Week was an active time, with twenty-six children registering for camp on Sunday, July, 9th. Evelyn Johnson co-ordinated the activities, and a full team of "assistants" was present as well—working in the kitchen and serving some scrumptious meals were Doreen Nyroos, Joan Petterson, Winnie Pearson, Dianne Pearson, Betty Pearson, Charlotte Samuelson, Hansine Pierre and Lulu Lungren. Odd jobs and repairs were handled by Harold Lungren, Eric Pierre and Magnus Pearson. Mae Kurz, Gertrude Holmgren, Verna Larson and Erik Landberg were in charge of outdoor activities, culture and handicrafts.

With fairly co-operative weather, the campers kept quite busy hiking and swimming; the occasional wiener roast and a treasure hunt rounded out the activities.

On Saturday, July 15, the children were experienced enough Vasa Campers to present their program entitled "A Typical Day At Vasa Camp". Master of Ceremonies for the performance was Erik Landberg. The first half of the program included songs and dancing. Garry Johnson, Neil Samuelson and Murray Sund led the children in their "Rise And Shine" song. A sampling of a typical culture hour followed, with Gertrude Holmgren leading the children through songs such as "Janta O Ja", "Sma Grodorna" and "The Vasa Camp Song". Garry Samuelson performed a pantomime song, followed by all the campers singing some of their campfire songs.

The handicrafts made by the children were on display for visitors at Intermission. There was resin work, plastic molding, tie dyeing and much more.

The second half of the program began with a quartet consisting of Murray Sund, Garry Johnson, Barbara Knutson and Penny Jennings. The quartet sang "Du Skall Heta Far Och Du Skall Heta Mor". Lisa Lungren and Wendy Sjogren starred in a performance of "Pippi Longstocking" and were supported by the other children.

Not to be outdone by their campers, the cooks became part of the program, singing a song to the tune of "School Days", with music by Lil Boyer. Lunch followed the performance, with both campers and their visitors participating.

Many people are to be commended for their contribution to making Children's Week such a success, and an extra special thanks to Evelyn Johnson, Camp Co-ordinator.

A memoir of Children's Week has been written in verse by Erick Landberg, entitled "The Ballad Of Vasa Camp '72". Although space does not allow printing of the entire poem, contact your correspondent for copies—it's a hilarious, fun-filled description of Children's Week.

July 16 at Vasaclub was a time

for more celebration, on the occasion of a double birthday party for Harold Lundgren and Emil Johnson, who was celebrating his 85th birthday. Many of their friends were in attendance, and everyone took part in games and a sing-song led by Rene Hokanson. A humorous story on Harold's life, written by Hansine Pierre and Gertie Holmgren, was read by Gertie.

Other birthdays celebrated in July at Pigeon Lake were that of Alma Samuelson and Bud Holmgren.

More activities at Vasaclub were on the agenda in early August. On the fifth, the Country Supper was served at 5:00 p.m. These festivities were convened by Earl and Florence Erickson, with several of their relatives assisting. A good time was had by all, and Mrs. Erickson wishes to thank the members of the committee for their excellent participation and support. A very special thanks to Eric Engvall, for his specialty of barbecued ham.

Later in the evening of August 5, the regular meeting was opened by Vice-Chairman, Leonard Eliasson, and Mr. and Mrs. George Modin from Buford Lodge were welcomed.

A speedy recovery is wished to those members reported sick, Clifford Dahl and Anne Quitzul.

Ivy Ogren, Millie Weiss and Helen Berg are to be thanked for serving as Lunch Committee.

The "Barnyard Stomp", again planned by Florence and Earl Erickson, completed the evening of activity.

VASA GLIMPSES

The summer months are usually the time for travel, and Vasa members have been active either as travellers or as hosts to visitors from various points.

TRAVELLERS WEST

Calvin and Judy Cartwright from Slave Lake, and Noreen Markstrom have been holidaying in Vancouver and Victoria.

Harold and Minne Markstrom, accompanied by Minnie's sister, Marjorie, are spending some time at Banff and Radium.

Winnie and Oscar Pearson travelled to Vancouver recently to visit friends and relatives; in particular, their great granddaughter Deeana Dawn.

Milton and Virgie Fawcett and children, Lois and Lorne have recently spent some time vacationing in Jasper and Wells Grey Park.

Cliff and Paula Lindberg motored to Vancouver in July and also visited Cliff's mother, brother and three sisters in Heney, B.C. They brought their two grandsons, Darren and Jay, back to Edmonton with them on July 20 and spent a pleasant week with them.

TRAVELLERS EAST

The wedding of a niece in Montreal took the Hintonson on an

enjoyable and informative trip to Eastern Canada. They visited such points of interest as Ottawa, Toronto, as well as Smith's Cove and Halifax in Nova Scotia.

And some members have managed trips in both directions:

Vern and Shirley Ludwighave been vacationing in Calgary, Banff and Jasper. Their trip included a more easterly direction as well, to Niagara Falls.

Henry and Linnea Lodge have also had a trip east—to Saskatoon, visiting Harold and Lulu Lundgren. They also travelled to Chase, British Columbia, visiting Linnea's mother, Mrs. Signe Wicklund.

VISITORS

Grace and Floyd Maxwell have had friends visiting from Portland, Oregon. They entertained their visitors at their Pigeon Lake cottage.

Don and Evelyn Johnson have had their daughter Geri and family visiting from Alamogordo, New Mexico. Geri was in Edmonton to attend the reunion of her University of Alberta Nurses Graduating Class of '62.

Magnus and Betty Pearson have had some company from Vancouver lately—their daughter and son-in-law, Marjory and Harry Correll, as well as their grandson, Curt Hughes, his wife Carol and family.

Another visitor from British Columbia was Joanne Todd, who was in Edmonton recently, visiting her aunt and uncle, Bud and Gertrude Holmgren.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kay have had visitors from England—Bill's cousin Marjorie Orange, her husband Eric, and their children Steven and Evelyn.

A REMINDER—COMING EVENTS!

Chicken Barbeque—At Vasaclub, Pigeon Lake, September 2, convened by Ernie Hokanson.

Quilting Bee—At the home of Harold and Minnie Markstrom, 10535 Lauderdale Road, September 12, 13, and 14. If you're handy with needle and thread—even if you're not, but are willing to learn contact Betty Pearson at 455-5988.

Harvest Dance—October 7 at the Scandinavian Centre, following the regular meeting.

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Mid the fjells and fjords

by Esther Mellemstrand

After spending a month romping around Norway's Fjells and Fjords, 'tis good to be back in Sunny Alberta again. While in Norway though we prayed, our relatives too, that just a portion of their heavy June rainfall would drop on our prairies. It seems as if our prayers have been answered—the hills of home were green when we came back!

Some 130 passengers left Edmonton's International Airport for Oslo, Norway at 6:00 p.m., May 27, 1972. This was a Wardair chartered flight arranged by Mrs. Vera Nielsen of the Scandinavian Centre. This kind of flight is available to any member of the Scandinavian Centre or other organization. As we approached the ramp of the huge jet, Mrs. Nielsen was on hand to wish us well and issue cards stating that we were members of good standing with the Centre. Bless her heart—this reference card was a real gate opener while in Europe. Our seat mate, Esther Young of Sunset House, Alberta, introduced herself by putting her foot into my husband's bag of "tax free" drinks—three to a seat, so we soon realized we must try to keep these special privileges and other belongings under or on our own seats!

Mr. and Mrs. Sigurd Sorenson and Irene Hovde of the Centre were among the passengers on board. Sig, acting as guide and spokesman for the group, pointed out that these flights were very popular with the younger generation, for travelling to Norway on their honeymoon. On board there were two young couples so newly wed they still had confetti in their hair. As well, there were teenagers and mothers with toddlers. The passenger rating the highest popularity though was 90-year-old Oscar Steffensen of Irma, Al-

berta. In interviewing Mr. Steffensen at the airport in Oslo, he told me he came to Alberta in 1908 and has visited his homeland 12 times. He has flown Wardair several times now, and, with a twinkle in his eye, he remarked, "I like the V.I.P. treatment the pretty stewardesses offer me!" At this point I should like to add my "Amen" to that. The food, drinks (any kind) and hospitality were in a class by itself and the vigilant service of these girls made you feel like a king or queen in minutes—it seems as if there was something to eat or drink every half hour.

As we reached the rugged east coast of Baffin Island we were soaring at a height of 33,000 feet and at a speed of nearly 600 miles per hour. We said "good bye" to Canada by helping Irene Hovde sing "O Canada". On our way to Sondre Stromfjord, Greenland we took pictures of the midnight sun. Though the time was 1:30 a.m. we could read and take pictures easily. While refueling at Sondre Stromfjord we were allowed 20 minutes to shop for souvenirs or write post cards—it cost 65¢ to send a card from there. This isolated airport seems to be constructed from a huge exposed rock!

On sighting the west coast of Norway, Sig requested Irene to sing "Ja, Vi Elsker Dette Landet" ("Yes, We Love This Land"). We could see much of Norway's mountainous area on route to Oslo for it was 9:00 a.m. their time. Very little habitation could be seen till we reached the coastline, which, in contrast, is densely populated. We landed at the Fornebu Airport in Oslo after just 8 hours of flying time.

On a bus tour of Oslo, we visited the Maritime Museum. Here we saw the historical vessel FRAM, in which Fridjop

Nanson tried to reach the North Pole in 1896. Presently, plans are being made to have Roald Amundson's ship GJOA returned to Norway and placed in this museum—it has been docked in San Francisco for over 60 years. We saw the King's summer residence, the Stave Church from Telemark and the beautiful residence of the Canadian Ambassador to Norway. Since we were the only Canadians on the tour our guide seemed to delight in pointing out how our taxes were being spent!

Travelling by train to the home of the Mellemstrand families on the west coast of Norway took a little more than nine hours—longer than our flight from Canada. We had a long stop-over in Kristiansand, Norway's most southernly port. This is a very busy place, for all passages to Denmark, Holland and Germany are booked from here—all crossings are made by boat across the rough Skagerak.

The family met us at Bryne on the outskirts of Stavanger. With the new oil industry being developed near Stavanger, it is predicted that the two towns will soon be amalgamated. Stavanger is sometimes called the home of the Fjords so we took a tour of the high mountains nearby. After a two-hour drive over "devil's highway" which spiralled to the summit over many hair-pin turns, I vowed I'd kiss the flat prairies should I survive to see them again!

The flat land of the Jaren Community, just south of Stavanger, is called "the pantry of Norway" for it produces so much of its agricultural products. We spent three weeks here for my husband has five brothers and one sister living here—most with large families. Festivities began the day of our arrival. Somewhere everyday we would be entertained, and, with all meals, we were served sumptuous layer cakes filled to a great height with whipped cream and fruit—this is called "blote kake", several kinds of lefse and decorative open face sandwiches which were a meal in itself! Now you can readily understand why every non-Norwegian tourist must of necessity learn to say "Nei takk" (no thank you) or come home pounds overweight!

While in this district we visited one of Europe's largest creameries. It is located in the heart of the bustling town of Narbo where most of the major enterprises are farmer-owned. Some 600,000 cheeses, averaging about ten pounds, were held in cold storage, most of which were for export to Japan. Butter, powdered milk and calf meal are also manufactured there. Our guide told us that very little of this cheese, made from cow's milk, is exported to Canada. The goat cheese which we receive from Norway is manufactured at Gulbrandsdalen in the far North.

Preparing for our return to Oslo we boarded the cruiser Sandnes which goes nightly from Stavanger to Bergen. After three eventful and happy weeks with the family in Narbo, the thought of saying perhaps a final "good-bye" was indeed a sad one. All the families were there, and as we started up the gang plank, I was given a beautiful bouquet of pansies, and I was tearfully told I should cast the bouquet in the waters near Bergen. Pansies are for thoughts, so our memories are truly left in more ways than one!

This boat called in at most of the larger ports lying in the fjords along the coastline, so we

saw much of Norway's rugged west coast. Bergen is one of the biggest and busiest ports in Scandinavia. During our stay there I was able to buy some postcards for my friends who hale from there. It is at these card vendors that you will find all tourists, and it is so easy to spot them for all have the same problem—that of counting the Norwegian currency. Learning to distinguish the value of the many coins can't be accomplished in a day. One can have a handful of these bits and pieces called "ores" and still have only the value of one krone or approximately 15 1/2 cents in Canadian money. A post card cost 80 ore, so rather than being guilty of holding up the waiting line, I held out my handful of coins and pleaded, "I can't count your money, please take what you need!"

It seems that the caution to travel "light" carries no weight with one's friends in Norway. Always count on having one extra bag home for the many old country treasures you will be taking back—the woven tapestries are really something.

Resting with my many bags while waiting for the train that would take us on the slow scenic tour to Oslo, I noticed a lone tourist struggling with her baggage. I offered to sit with her load as well as mine so that she would have her hands free while purchasing her ticket, thinking merely, "now I have done my good deed for the day!" On her return my new friend could detect that I had a problem speaking the Norwegian language, thus promptly in her 100% Canadian she stated, "I am Alice Larsen formerly of Daysland, Alberta—now of Camrose. I am here with the Scandinavian Chartered Flight. When I told her I was from Amisk near Hardisty, the excitement of two people from neighboring towns in Alberta, meeting in far-away Bergen, is something I shall never be able to describe in words. Then, to be able to chatter in our own language is something else—we found we had mutual friends in Hardisty so had many notes to exchange. During our trip to Oslo we laughed over and shared many other experiences, sharing also, the lunches we had together. We had learned that buying food while travelling was quite expensive.

Alice was travelling alone and for the first time in Norway. Her purpose was to establish the birthplaces of her ancestors and possibly finding living relatives. She is to be complimented on what she accomplished over there for she had only a slender thread of information with her from Canada. She stated that the church records kept in Norway are a great help when searching for this kind of data.

On this scenic tour we rode across the roof of Norway. Finse, located at the summit, registered an altitude of 4,010 feet above sea level—the highest point in Northern Europe. The temperature was a mere 46 degrees Fahrenheit and we saw as much snow on June 21 as we have in Alberta in January. A tethered reindeer was pawing through the snow for food. We were decidedly privileged here for we obtained the fingerprints of the troll who holds the fort there as well as having our picture taken with the reindeer—Santa Claus has nothing on us!

On the downward ride from Finse we could feel the train going down hill and gradually we

could see some vegetation—the heather came first. Due to the humid climate trees and flowers grow larger. A spruce or birch will grow to a height of 100 feet.

During the tourist season, hotel accommodations must be pre-arranged, for if this is not done, it may be necessary to fly elsewhere just to get a night's sleep—larger cities are very congested. We had headquarters with our neice, Annemor Berg, who is a teacher of English in one of Oslo's suburbs where her beautiful home overlooks the Oslofjord. Her four children, Eric, Tiril, Tuve and Tonje, all study music and play several instruments, and her husband, Thor, is an avid sportsman. Sundays are devoted to hiking for which the whole family has a trophy—a busy family indeed!

The Berg home, located in the district just outside Oslo, is fairly new for ten years ago the moose roamed freely here. Today, there's a shopping centre with several new homes and all seems to be carved out of the mountainside. The only native growth is the tall birch or evergreen trees seen in abundance. With much work and planning, though, fertile soil has been hauled or carried in for beautiful landscaping. Norwegians are flower lovers and it isn't uncommon to see a cow barn luxuriously adorned with clinging roses! Civic officers are fastidious too, for we saw many women and men with huge brooms sweeping the street and tending the potted flowers, and very little litter can be detected.

Since I was privileged to attend the horse races and do some promenading perhaps I should give my views on fashions in Norway. When the sun shines hot pants and bikinis are very popular and very brief. Since there is more cool weather, though, mini mini's and pant suits are the going thing—all ages, tots to grandmothers, wear these. Young men wear brightly colored over blouses with gay trousers and with their long, carefully groomed tresses it is difficult to distinguish the sexes there, too. However, if the specimen in question divulged an Adam's apple he could then be removed from my "it" category. Several hippies with unkempt hair and beards could be seen loitering around the various ports, but on the other hand, many professional men had elegant, well-groomed beards—Van Dyke seemed the most popular.

"Eikeli" means the oak on the side of the hill, so this so aptly describes the landscape around the school of that name. It is at Eikeli that our neice, Annemor, instructs classes in English. In a guided tour of the school, we were told that the children of Norway start English classes at 10 years of age with the prospect of experimenting with nine-year-olds next year. Each desk in the English room is wired with head phones for private communications with the teacher when the pupils have a problem. The first words a student learns is, "Good morning, how are you?" My husband and I sat in on a lesson. Anyone in the teen-age group from Canada wishing to visit Norway will have no language problems there. "Home economy" and "shop" are taught in the elementary grades with mixed classes in each. Every school has a doctor and dentist with offices located in the building. Dental work is dealt with twice a year with no charge while going to school.

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While in Oslo, no one should miss seeing the Spiral Tunnel in Drammen which is just an hours drive by train or less by car. This is the largest spiralling tunnel in the world, and has been constructed inside the belly of the mountain—a superb piece of engineering. There are 6 1/2 turns to make before reaching the summit. In length, the tunnel is 1,650 metres or a trifle over an English mile. At the top there is a car park with room for 200 vehicles as well as a chalet-style restaurant. A good view of the beautiful Drammen valley can be viewed through huge binoculars.

On the eve of our departure, June 23, we helped to celebrate Jonsok Aften (midsummer eve). Building a bonfire on the midsummer eve is an old Norwegian custom which has been observed since ancient times. The children roasted potatoes and wieners. Another Amisk couple celebrating this same festive occasion in Oslo were Roy and Ethel Anholt. Although our efforts to phone the Anholts while in Oslo were fruitless, we did think of them and had much to discuss after meeting them at home.

One of the oldest problems every tourist has to cope with when he goes abroad is how to recognize the signs on the public conveniences. Every tourist can usually cite his own chapter of woe on embarrassing moments. However, a good rule of thumb to remember in Norway is that a Norwegian spelling can sometimes mean the exact opposite in English—e.g. if a washroom door denotes "HERR" it is not for HERS it is for HIMS or more correctly Misters. When you are in France no one is surprised to see men and women entering the same door. For my part though, let us hope foreign countries will adopt a gimmick seen in Spain. There, these rooms use symbols—a pipe for men and a fan for ladies. It's a good sign.

At 2:15 p.m., June 24, we said our final "good-byes" to Norway, and the only way we could prevent an outbreak of wet handkerchiefs was to promise we'd be back again. June 24, was truly the longest day of the year for us—we had 24 wakeful hours.

Our plane left Oslo, Norway on Saturday afternoon and we were able to do some late shopping in Hardisty, Alberta that same evening—a small world indeed!

THE SONS OF NORWAY SAIL ON "Song Of Norway"

Following seven District Conventions in the states of Iowa, Washington, New York, Wisconsin, California and the Canadian provinces of Alberta and British Columbia, 200 delegates decided to convene for the 42nd International Convention of SONS OF NORWAY (S/N) on board the Norwegian liner "Song Of Norway" during a Caribbean cruise which was held Aug. 26-Sept. 2. The ship is the first major vessel in international cruise trade to be chartered by a single organization. Close to 900 members of S/N participated in this unique adventure, symbolizing the spirit of the Vikings roaming the seas a thousand years ago.

The International Board of S/N, headed by President Hilmen E. Kjolrie, Nevada City, Calif., met at Oceanside Holiday Inn in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, prior to the Convention. Also meeting at the same time were the Convention committees for Law, Reports, Resolutions and Youth and Sports.

Bjarne Eikevik, chairman of the International Convention Committee, of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, announced an extensive program for the convention delegates, and other members and friends of S/N. During the week-long cruise from Miami to Nassau, Bahamas, San Juan, Puerto Rico, St. Thomas and the Virgin Islands, the daily Convention sessions transacted the business of the 75,000-member fraternal organization, based in Minneapolis, Minn. Special entertainment aboard and ashore, included performances by S/N Fort Lauderdale Lodge folk-dancing group.

While the 42nd S/N International Convention was the first sea-going one in the 72-year saga of the world's largest organization of North Americans of Norse descent or affiliation, this meeting also marked the introduction of the first Youth Conference to include the younger members in the biennial event. Junior members conducted their own meetings as well as joining the convention participants in various arrangements.

Future plans of S/N included the 1974 Convention to be held in Banff, Alta.

WALLY BROEN NAMED DELEGATE TO SONS OF NORWAY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON "SONG OF NORWAY"

Wally Broen of Solgylt Lodge 143 was elected a delegate to the 42nd International Convention of SONS OF NORWAY, fraternal organization now numbering 75,000 members in the United States and Canada.

SONS OF NORWAY is the world's largest organization of North Americans of Norse birth, descent or affiliation and the fastest growing ethnic Society in North America.

SONS OF NORWAY held its Cruise Convention on board the Norwegian Caribbean cruise liner, M/S SONG OF NORWAY, Aug. 26 through Sept. 2. The organization is headed by Hilmen E. Kjolrie, International President, from Nevada City, Calif.

For the first time in the history of SONS OF NORWAY, the Convention took place on board a Norwegian ship belonging to one of the world's largest merchant marines.

Mr. Broen was elected a delegate at the S/N 4th District Convention at Calgary for the states of Montana, North Dakota and the province of Alberta.

SONS OF NORWAY conducts a wide range of fraternal, cultural, educational and humanitarian programs and also offers scholarships for teachers and students. The organization promotes October 9 as Leif Erikson Day which happens to coincide this year with Christopher Columbus Day.

During recent years, the International Convention has been held in Portland, Ore. (1970); St. Paul, Minn. (1968); San Jose, Calif. (1966); New York, N.Y. (1964). The 1974 Convention is scheduled for Banff, Alta.

Included in the Caribbean Convention was the first Sons of Norway Youth Conference for Junior members of SONS OF NORWAY.

Mr. Broen, who resides at 10643 - 43 St., Edmonton, found it appropriate and interesting that the Convention was held on board the SONG OF NORWAY. "It certainly was an unconventional Convention," he added. Mrs. Betty Broen accompanied her husband to the convention.

CECILIA JANSE Stockholm's Lake Queen

Twenty-two-year-old Cecilia Janse won her title of Stockholm Summer Queen over 40 other talented Stockholm beauties. She was crowned on June 11 and reigned as the Swedish capital's official summer hostess.

During the summer months her duties included escorting and guiding VIPs around the city, greeting visiting dignitaries and meeting cruise ships, and representing the City on the Water at functions at home and abroad.

Among the attributes which helped Miss Janse to win the coveted crown were fluency in English, French and German.

Her 1969 school year was spent in the United States on an exchange scholarship, and since that time she has studied at Lausanne University in Paris and has read for the law at Stockholm University.

To help her keep to her busy schedule, General Motors provided Miss Janse with a Vauxhall Victor; and NK, the renowned Swedish department store, presented her with a personal wardrobe.

She likes music, opera and ballet and, when her schedule permits, she rides horseback and plays tennis.



Cecilia Janse, Stockholm's Lake Queen and this summer's official hostess for the Swedish capital, displays some of the gifts for

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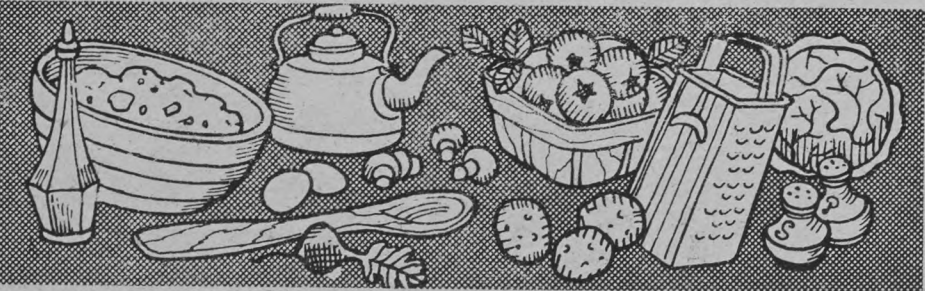
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- 2/3 cup brown sugar
- 4 tsp cornstarch
- 6 tbsp red wine vinegar
- 2 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 2 tbsp Soy sauce

Blend brown sugar and cornstarch. Stir in pineapple

juice, red wine vinegar, soy sauce and Worcestershire sauce. Cook and stir to boiling.

If too thick add more pineapple juice.

SOUR CREAM COFFEE CAKE

- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 cup soft butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1-3/4 cups flour
- 2 tsp baking powder

Topping

- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1 tbsp cinnamon
- 2 tbsp chopped nuts

Method

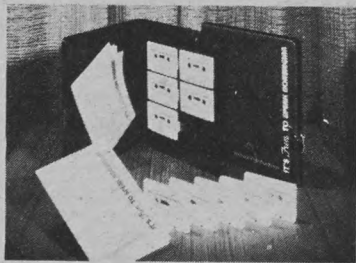
Combine sour cream and soda in a bowl. Let it set for a few minutes. Mix butter, sugar, eggs and vanilla. Beat well. Add dry ingredients to the sour cream mix.

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Buford Vasa Lodge

By Ruth E. Eklund

Deepest sympathy to Mrs. Dorothy Modin whose mother, Mrs. Tillie Dahl, of Blunt's Nursing Home at Leduc, passed away recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Pearson and girls have returned from a camping trip in the mountain region.

Quite a number of Bufordites took in the Bruce Stampede. While there, Ray Pearson teamed with Arthur Erickson of Bruce to win the horseshoe tournament.

Elva Modin is employed at the University Hospital for the summer months.

Congratulations to Mr. and

Mrs. Darrell Eklund (Jill McKinnon) who were married recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Modin spent a week camping in the northern part of the province.

Mr. Helge Erickson of Prince George, B.C., is back at the farm to begin harvesting operations.

Mr. and Mrs. Albin Markstedt are holidaying in the Scandinavian countries.

Best wishes to Mrs. Mary Lunde who has spent most of the summer with her foot in a cast following an operation.

Mr. Helfred Bergstrom has left the farm and is now living in Westaskiwin.

Development

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prescribed parking areas. (Entry to the lobby is at street level.)

A second entrance, off 143 Street, will serve as a passenger and service vehicle entry in addition to serving as a convenience entry for all those members who are using the future health club, gymnasium, pool and teen centre facilities.

125 Avenue Entry

This entry contains a main lobby, cloakroom, lounge, and is the principal control point for day and night operation. It will have a reception desk where all visitors will be required to register and check their over-clothing and rubbers.

The lobby provides access to all parts of the building. Valhalla Historic Salon is reached from the seven riser stairway leading upwards to the main floor. The lower floor of this Salon is reached by a seven riser stairway leading downward to Level One.

The present Scandinavian Centre main floor is accessible from the front lobby via a stairway proceeding past the Scandinavian Boutique. Access to the lower floor is gained from the main entry via the staircase to the south of the lobby.

143 Street Entry

The 143 Street parking lot provides entry to the main floor, down to the basement area as well as entry into the existing Scandinavian Centre area from the north and south. This entry also provides truck loading and unloading facilities.

Administration Offices Entry

A minor entry into the Administrative Office area will be maintained via the south walkway used at present for the Centre's lobby entry. An emergency exit will be provided from the door south of the Board Room (now Scandinavian Centre News room) out onto the Viking Garden.

Minor Entries

Two other minor exits are provided off the staircase as emergency fire exits.

STRUCTURE AND GROUNDS

Viking Garden

The sunken patio and garden on the south-east corner will contain a band shell under the cover of the symbolic Viking Ship. The band shell will provide summertime outdoor family music and drama amusement.

Park

The park is divided into three areas:

- sports field
- children's recreational area
- picnic and barbeque area.

Sjoman's Dining Salon

The Dining Salon is situated on the third level to provide a better area view and a view of the Viking Garden where it is hoped, that many Sunday activities would be carried on. The dining salon design is a Scandinavian motif, serving only the best of Scandinavian foods.

Thor's Outdoor Cafe

Provision is made for outdoor dining adjacent to the Sjoman's Dining Salon overlooking the Viking Garden.

Valhalla Historic Salon

The Valhalla Historic Salon is designed such that it can be subdivided into smaller revenue areas. The principal dancing area is on the lower floor. The mezzanine will also be provided with dancing floor area.

The sound system would cover both areas simultaneously or individually as the conditions require.

The stage is so located as to be visible from both the mezzanine and the lower floor and will be of sufficient size to facilitate production of small theatrical plays and concerts.

Scandinavian Boutique And Display

Situated in the main entry is the Scandinavian Boutique from which each of the five nations will have available various commodities which they would like to see on sale for personal and public purposes.

In addition to the boutique, there will be a display counter incorporated into the front entry, making visible from both inside and outside the entries items on sale in the boutique.

Gymnasium, Health Club And Nursery

Since much of the shareholders' private activities would be conducted near the gymnasium and health club, the nursery, primarily intended for very small children, would be located adjacent to the women's locker as well as from the hallway.

The Health Club would incorporate all sauna facilities—whirlpool, eucalyptus, relaxation and steam rooms—associated with same.

The Gymnasium is situated above this area with immediate access to the shower facilities adjacent to the Health Club Room.

On the north wall of the Gymnasium is included a balcony which will serve as an observation deck to both the gymnasium and the swimming pool.

Swimming Pool

The Swimming Pool is de-

signed as a last phase construction. However, the over-all design has been so planned that it is adjacent to the other sports and recreational facilities planned for this complex.

Tennis Area

In keeping with the original Scandinavian Centre objectives, it is proposed that the complete downstairs portion of the existing Scandinavian Centre be converted into a Teen Centre where the Nordic Room would be used for teen dances, complete with lounge chairs and whatever other facilities the teens would require.

The Dania Room would be converted into a Games Room.

The Icelandic Room would then become an Arts and Crafts Centre.

The previously proposed Janitor's Quarters would be used as a teens' administrative office from which the Teens' Council would operate.

Library, Lodge And Societies' Rooms

The Historic Library, Lodge and Societies Rooms would be situated over the Valhalla Historic Salon. The present design encompasses one principal room where all lodges may hold their lodge or society meetings.

In the hub would be located the Scandinavian Centre Library where each of the lodges or societies would retain their own private libraries and where the Scandinavian Centre Library may be established for the Pioneer and Centre historic memoirs.

Provision is also made for separate lodge and society rooms which for the present, would serve as social entertainment revenue areas or should any one of the ethnic groups wish to establish their own private cafe or club room, they could assume responsibility for development of that space.

Other social entertainment areas are provided to the north of the principal lodge meeting room. It is proposed that this be a revenue area, or if preferred, a common Scandinavian social area not open to the public.

Rental Offices

Over the lodge rooms would be additional office space rentable to engineering firms, music studios, dance studios, and/or other cultural activities which are more in keeping with the concept of the Scandinavian Centre.

Administrational Offices

Over that area presently used for the entry and lobby is proposed the construction of the Administrative Offices for the complete complex.

It is also proposed that the Scandinavian Consular Corp establish offices in this area in keeping with a closer association expected between the corps and the Scandinavian Centre.



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Traveling within Scandinavia

BY AIR

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Denmark also has air services between Copenhagen and the island of Fyn by Falcks Flyvetjeneste, and to Als in South Jutland by Cimber Air. SAS flies from airports in Denmark and also to Greenland and to the Faroe Islands (the latter in cooperation with Icelandair).

Finland has one of the densest air networks in Europe. Finnair maintains, also, one of the most inexpensive fares in Europe. The northernmost airport in Finland — among the sixteen airports of the country — is about 125 miles north of the Arctic Circle. Flying the length of Finland is the best way to appreciate Finland's thousands of lakes and its vast forests. The Finnair Holiday Ticket Fare of \$90.00 entitles you to unlimited air travel within the country for 15 days. The Holiday Ticket can be bought only outside Scandinavia. Reduced fare tourist tickets for some short routes can be combined with train, bus or boat tickets during the summer season.

From Oslo it takes 2 hours 30 minutes to fly to Iceland and from Copenhagen it takes 3 hours.

Norway now has over 20 airports, and even the far north

is served by regular day and night flights the year round. Air services are operated by SAS as well as by Braathens SAFE and Widerøes Flyveselskap. Sweden's domestic air network comprises 23 airports with convenient connections with 150 towns. Stockholm has 2 airports — Arlanda for international flights and domestic jet service, and Bromma for most domestic destinations. From Stockholm it takes 45 minutes to fly to Visby on the Baltic island of Gotland, or 2 hours 45 minutes to Lapland in the far north. Domestic services are operated by SAS and Linjeflyg.

BY SEA

Denmark has regular boat services from Copenhagen to Aalborg and Aarhus, operated by the United Steamship Company. There are also regular sailings between Copenhagen and Bornholm, as well as local carferries connecting the various islands and provinces.

Finland has boat services between Helsinki and several coastal towns, also daily motorboat services between Kotka and Kaunissaari, a popular vacation resort. Finland's inland waterways provide delightful trips and tours by comfortable steamers and watercoaches with restaurants on board. There is a wide choice of routes and tours, ranging from a few hours on a swift

hydrofoil to a 1-to-7 day cruise through the maze of lakes and waterways. The season extends from June to August.

There are also regular boat services between Copenhagen and Reykjavik.

Norway's extensive coastline is sheltered by an almost continuous string of islands, and provides ideal trips and tours by steamer and automobile ferry. A coastal express steamer leaves Bergen everyday through the year for the 11-day round trip past North Cape to Kirkenes on the Russian frontier. Fjord steamers connect Bergen with the major fjords, and the hydrofoil service between Bergen and Stravanger is really "more air-borne than seaborne".

Sweden has thousands of small islands along the coastline, particularly off Stockholm and Gothenburg. There are regular boat services between the mainland and the majority of these islands, also frequent sailings by large, comfortable vessels from Nynashamn to the island of Gotland also from several other Baltic ports: Södertälje, Västervik and Oskarshamn and from Kalmar and Oskarshamn to the island of Oland. Passenger ships also ply the great lakes and canals and one of the most famous trips is the 3-day Gota Canal cruise between Stockholm and Gothenburg.

BY RAIL

Scandinavia has an extensive railroad network, comprising some 2400 miles of track in Denmark, 5500 miles in Finland, 2800 miles in Norway and 7000 miles in Sweden. The new tourist coaches with adjustable seats and other facilities make rail travel a very pleasant way of seeing the countries of Scandinavia. All express trains have 1st and 2nd class accommodations, usually also restaurant cars or buffet cars. On day trains, 1st class corresponds to Pullman, 2nd class to coach. On night trains, 1st class means a single or double compartment, and 2nd class means 3 berths in a compartment. Advance bookings are recommended when traveling by any express train, whether by day or night. Rail travel in Scandinavia is inexpensive, and the railroads also offer a series of circular tours at very reasonable prices. Information and tickets are available from Scandinavian Travel Bureau, 630 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10020.

Danish State Railways (DSB) also operates a special express service by "lyntog" ("lightning trains") between Copenhagen and the principle towns of Jutland and Fyn. There are reduced fares for family members traveling together, also on return tickets, valid not only on trains, but also on bus and ferry services operated by DBS. Unlimited 10-day and 1-month rail tickets.

The express trains of Finnish State Railways (VR) correspond to the TEE trains of the continent, and are swift, modern and comfortable. The railroad network connects all towns in Finland from the southern districts and right up the far north, beyond the Arctic Circle.

Norwegian State Railways (NSB) are famous for some of the most scenic and spectacular railroads in Europe, particularly the outstanding Oslo-Bergen railroad, which runs right across the Hardanger mountain plateau. It is also feasible to travel by train to Oslo via Trondheim to Bodo, which is situated in the

far north, in the Land of the Midnight Sun.

Swedish Railways (SJ) has electrified about 90 per cent of their railroad network, and the new passenger coaches are of a very high standard, with large scenic windows, and sound-proofed.

BY BUS

Modern and comfortable bus services supplement the rail services throughout Scandinavia and provide a popular alternative for visitors wishing to get off the beaten track. The longest bus service in Europe is operated in Norway, from Bobo to Kirkenes near the Norwegian-Russian frontier. Bus tickets in Scandinavia are obtained generally when boarding the bus.

BY OTHER MEANS

Private aircraft and helicopters of all sizes and makes can be hired in all principle cities throughout Scandinavia. Boats, houseboats, and house trailers can be rented in certain places.

GENERAL INFORMATION

HOTELS, MOTELS AND RESTAURANTS

Scandinavia has won an enviable reputation in recent years for its new hotels and motels and for the way in which it has remodeled and extended its older establishments. As a result, there is now a large proportion of rooms with private toilet and bath or shower, and even the most modern establishments meet Canadian standards of comfort and cleanliness.

Despite the big increase in hotel rooms, however, Scandinavia's growing popularity with tourists still makes it advisable to book accommodation well in advance. Summer hotels, usually found in the capitals and other university cities, form a special category of mostly first-class accommodation in single or twin bedded rooms of a high standard, in modern buildings occupied by students during the school year, but run as regular hotels in the summer vacation months.

Reservation should be made through your travel agent. Lists of hotels, motels, and restaurants may be obtained from our offices.

The Hotel Check system, although rapidly expanding in Scandinavia, is not as yet commonly adopted, and it is therefore advisable to consult your travel agent for the latest lists of hotels and restaurants included in the system. The same applies to Diners Club cards, American Express cards and similar credit cards.

PENSIONS, TOURIST LODGES

There is a rising demand for inexpensive accommodation, and fortunately, Scandinavia is well provided with such establishments. Everywhere there are moderately priced boarding houses, pensions and inexpensive tourist lodges and guest houses, especially along the main tourist routes, also in the mountain ranges of Norway and Sweden and in the lake districts and in the archipelago of Finland.

Moreover, a large proportion of these places have good food, comfort and cleanliness, in par-

ticular the inns of Denmark with accommodation facilities.

LOG CABINS AND COTTAGES

Ample opportunities exist for the renting of summer cottages and cabins. In Norway and Finland the emphasis is on log cabins, either in the mountains or by the sea. The local tourist association will give details and indicate booking offices.

PRIVATE ACCOMODATION

If hotel rooms are not available, private accommodation can be arranged in most towns through the local room service—most often connected with the tourist offices. All private rooms under this plan have been inspected and approved. However, if you rent a private room, it does not mean that you are entitled to encroach upon the daily life of the family with whom you stay. Remember that you have merely rented a spare bedroom in a private house or apartment. It is impossible to book in advance, except in Helsinki and in Iceland. Personal appearance is requested in the "gateway" cities Bergen (Tourist Office at Torgalmenningen), Copenhagen (Room Service at the Central Railway Station, Kiosk P), Helsinki (Railway Station), Oslo (Information Office at East Railway Station), and Stockholm (Hotellcentralen, Central Railway Station, also at Haga Air Terminal, Arlanda and Bromma Airports).

CAMPING

In Scandinavia one can camp almost anywhere except in built-up areas or private property, though in Sweden the latter is permissible for one night, provided due consideration is shown. This is known as "allemans rätt" — literally everyman's right. However, it is advisable to use an approved camping site anywhere in Scandinavia. A camping permit is required for this purpose in Denmark. An international camping carnet or Swedish camping card is required at a number of the large camping sites in Sweden as well. Foreign visitors may obtain one at the camping site. The cost is 2 Danish Kroner valid for a single person or a family for 4 weeks. There are approved camping sites everywhere, most of them offering cooking facilities and stands where food, cigarettes, and candy may be purchased.

YOUTH HOSTELS

Scandinavian youth hostels are open to everyone (no age limit) and regardless of your means of transportation.

Youth hostels are to be found in most tourist centres as well as along the main roads. A good many of them have been specially built for the purpose and therefore are probably the best hostels in Europe, the Norwegian ones in particular. Prices differ very little from one Scandinavian country to another (75¢ - \$1.00 per night). Most youth hostels provide meals (\$1.20 - \$2.00), in Finland only coffee and refreshments, and all of them offer cooking facilities. Many have separate rooms where families with children can be accommodated. Although the hostels are open to non-members (and motorists), overseas visitors are advised to become members of their own association before leaving for Europe.

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VIKING PROGRAM

Early Settlers

OLAF SVEEN: Where did our information come from?

DR. BOURASSA: George Moi at Camrose Luthern College sent us some pamphlets and books dealing with the history of the Camrose district. One of these books was published by the Camrose Historical Society. Another book was edited by "The Camrose Canadian" for distribution by the Lions Club of Camrose.

OLAF SVEEN: When did settlement of this area start?

DR. BOURASSA: Real settlement began in the 1880's when the land was opened up for homesteads. Canada became a dominion in 1867 but the prairies, even in 1870, were largely a wilderness inhabited by Indians and fur traders. It became clear that if Canada did not settle the prairies, the Americans would. So to keep the prairies for Canada it was necessary to get Canadians onto the land. The Northwest Territories were surveyed in the early 1870's and divided into townships. The Northwest Mounted Police were established in 1873 to keep law and order in the wilderness. The Dominion Lands Act of 1879 and the amendments made later in 1885 opened up the land for homesteading. There were, of course, trading

posts and forts already in existence. Fort Duhamel was one of these and the history of white man in the Duhamel district goes back many years before farming and ranching started in this area. But for now I think we should stick to the story of Scandinavian settlers who came in later.

OLAF SVEEN: Who were the first Scandinavian settlers?

DR. BOURASSA: Well as far as I can make out Evan and Ludvik Olstad were among the first. They came to Duhamel district in 1892 and filed on homesteads for themselves and a number of friends in the United States. Scandinavians were moving up to the new homesteads from Minnesota, South Dakota and so on. The newcomers could come in on the railroad to Wetaskiwin and then go by wagon or on foot to the Duhamel district. They lived in tents until cabins could be built. The Olstads are given credit for naming "New Norway". The name must have proved attractive to other Norwegians, as well, as stories of the fertile lands and good crops.

Another name often associated with the Camrose area is that of Ole Bakken. It is said that either through a dream he had while in Norway or from a fortune teller in the U.S., he believed that he was to move to Canada,

take up a homestead with a stream running through it, and that a city would grow from his farm. The reason I mention this is that it was another Olstad who actually broke ground for Ole Bakken on his homestead which turned out to be where Camrose is now situated.

OLAF SVEEN: So many Scandinavians came to this area.

DR. BOURASSA: Yes. I'm not going to make any attempt to list them all or try to tell of their exploits in any detail. It's obvious that many of them became important people in the area and were instrumental in building churches, community halls and so on and in establishing businesses, post offices, and so on. Of course, people of many nationalities also settled in these areas and played a vital part in their communities. I'm confining myself to the Scandinavian groups.

OLAF SVEEN: What about other areas near Camrose?

DR. BOURASSA: All right. I'll try to mention a few. All I want to do is mention some of the early settlers and say a word or two about the area. One of the early settlers in the Ferintosh area was Thomas Olsen. His parents, a Danish father and a Swedish mother, (Continued on Page 12)

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AIRPORT TAX

Airport taxes are included in the air fare.

AUTOMOBILES

Self-Drive and chauffeur-driven cars are available in most towns, and the main car rental firms are represented at the principal airports. Scandinavia is regarded as one common area, and no formalities exist between the five countries, except that persons renting a car in any of them must be at least 21 years of age. For driving a rented car out of Scandinavia or your own car in Scandinavia a special insurance license known as Green Card is required and will be issued before rental papers are signed. Full details may be obtained from our offices or the travel agents.

Should you prefer to buy a European car for delivery in Scandinavia, you can save money by ordering it in Canada from an authorized dealer or overseas delivery agent. You pay the factory price, which excludes all European taxes. Scandinavia's two auto manufacturers—Volvo and Saab—will also ship your car from Gothenburg, Sweden, to Canadian East Coast ports free or to West Coast ports for a rate of \$100. As to the Saab European Delivery Program, the tax and duty free prices are so worked out that they also include free home shipments from Sweden to the major west Coast ports. Shipments from almost any other place in Europe to Canada can be arranged. Adding duty and excise tax, the total cost of your car will be less than you would pay for the same car in America. For details and prices, contact your local Saab or Volvo dealer.

In Scandinavia the penalties for driving a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol are very severe indeed, and no exception is made for foreign visitors. Consequently, the soundest principle to adopt is: Driving and drinking do not go together.

BANKS

Banks are usually open to the public from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, but closed on Saturday.

CHURCHES

All five Scandinavian countries are predominantly Lutheran Evangelical. There is, however, complete freedom of worship, and all the major churches and world religions are represented. Details of churches and services may be obtained from our offices. You will also be respectfully assisted in this matter on the spot, by the hotel staff or by the local tourist office.

CLIMATE

The climate of Scandinavia is far milder than one might expect in these northern latitudes. It is, in fact, decidedly "more solar than polar", thanks to the gentle caresses of the Gulf Stream and the long sunlit nights of the summer season—a combination which provides perfect vacation weather from April through October. Even at the height of the warm summer, temperatures are comfortable because the humidity is low. The winter season is dry, and travellers at that time generally find themselves enjoying brisk, sunny days.

In Scandinavia temperatures normally are stated in Celsius or Centigrade degrees.

CLOTHING

Medium-weight clothes are recommended as a basis for your wardrobe. Include a raincoat, a topcoat for spring and fall, an overcoat or fur coat for late fall and winter. Formal clothes are not needed in summer. You would have more use for sports wear, the same as you would pick for vacations in Canada, but with extra emphasis on tweeds and woollens. Good, heavy walking shoes are a must for comfort.

INNOCULATION

No formalities exist in Scandinavia, but is compulsory in Canada.

CENTRE STORY

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generation must be encouraged to develop their talents to the full, and thus help to make Canada the richest culture in the world. For this reason the "Cultural Activities Committee" was formed. The Centre hopes that as years go by this activity will assume greater and greater importance, so that it will become a truly great Cultural Centre. At the present time this objective is expressed best in the Scandapades production staged each year in Alberta's finest theatre—The Jubilee Auditorium.

Money was needed to reach the objectives of the Centre. Through the years, shares at \$50.00 were sold to raise the capital needed. From the beginning it was a difficult task because Scandinavians were reluctant to invest in what seemed such an uncertain venture. It was therefore that a series of share-selling campaigns were organized. When the Centre was opened at an approximate cost of \$150,000 all but \$40,000 had been raised through share-selling. Today the Centre is paid for, and it has a substantial bank account.

Because of a "pay-as-you-go" policy, the Centre has no financial worries.

Through the years, it has been a policy at all Annual Meetings to elect directors, so that all five national groups will have fair representation on the Board of 15 directors. At the organization meeting, following the Annual Meeting each year, the position of President is rotated within the five groups.

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EARLY SETTLERS....continued

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had settled in Nebraska. Olsen arrived in 1898 and homesteaded in the Ferintosh area. Dorenlee attracted a number of Scandinavians. This is about 30 miles south of Camrose. Martin Dahl was one of the first settlers in this area. Supplies had to be brought in from Wetaskiwin, a trip which took about 5 days. The way was often so muddy as to be impassible. The women sometimes went to the Ladies' Aid meeting on a stoneboat pulled by oxen.

The area near what became Edberg also attracted a number of Scandinavians. Settlers began coming in around 1893. One of the first was Ole Bredesen. Ole had several medical books and often whipped up medicine from roots and herbs. The early settlers describe great numbers of wild animals: deer, elk, moose, coyote, red and silver foxes, rabbits and prairie chickens. Indians watched as the early homesteaders began turning sod.

Among other early arrivals were Nikolai Hustad, from Hus-tavik, Norway, and Peder Pederson Aurness also a Norwegian. Crops were said to be good and it is claimed that one woman became lost in a field of oats which were so tall she could not find her way out. In order to make ends meet, the settlers worked at whatever extra jobs they could find. They often had to travel great distances to find paying jobs because no one in the local area could afford to hire anyone. Often they would exchange work with one another.

Edberg itself appears to have been named by the Swedish family of Edstroms. They arrived in 1900. John Edstrom opened a store and post office in his home. He called it Ed's berg. The first supplies for the store were carried on the back of his son, Oscar, who had to pack them in from Wetaskiwin. The town was finally established near the railroad which came in around 1909.

I should mention again that for now I'm just trying to give a general idea of where some of the Scandinavians first settled. There is a lot more to be told about the development of various towns but we don't have the space.

OLAF SVEEN: Were there other areas settled by Scandinavians?

DR. BOURASSA: Oh, yes. Meeting Creek is another area which attracted a number of Scandinavians. Many of them were from South Dakota. This area is one of the Meeting Creek, east of Ponoka. Of course, the settlers came into Wetaskiwin and followed what trails they could find southeast of this area. The land was fine for mixed farming. The Tornkjelm family was one of the first in the area. Milk for the baby had to be fetched from the nearest cow 3 miles away; a job carried out by their children of 6 and 9 years of age. Large bands of Indians are remarked on. Though many settlers seemed to be fearful of the Indians, there is no indication that the Indians caused any trouble, at least in these later times I'm talking about.

The Norbo or Donalda district is another that many Scandinavians came to. Settlement started in 1901, with the Olsons and in 1902 and 1903 many others came, the Rasmussen's the Viskes and so on. Many of these settlers came up from the United States to escape Indian uprisings.

The settlers bought land from the C.P.R. It sold for about \$3 an acre. The round trip to Wetaskiwin for supplies took

about 8 days.

In the very early times numerous buffalo roamed the area.

Randolph Rasmussen tells that in the hard winter of 1906-1907 he caught coyotes by chasing them on home-made skis or on horseback and clubbing them to death. Some of the settlers lived in dug-outs on hillsides or in tents until cabins were built. The difficulties in finding one's way around the countryside are frequently mentioned. In some cases children took to laying sticks on the buffalo trails to indicate which paths led toward home. Some of the settlers dug their own coal for heating.

Rosebush was another area in which many Scandinavians settled. This area was settled around the turn of the century. A large number of settlers came from Minnesota. One of the settlers in 1901 was Esheld Sand who had come to America from Norway. . . . He lived his first winter in a granary 16 x 24 x 12 feet he had built. Mrs. Sand had brought with her a loom which was used by many women in the district to make carpets. Some of the settlers commented on the abundance of berries.

An early Norwegian Festival was arranged in this area. The festival was planned by Anton Flokr and was supposed to take place on May 17, 1903. As you might guess, May 17 saw a snow-fall. So the festival was finally held indoors and even with the bad weather, people had arrived from quite distant areas.

In 1903 Marcus J. Langmo arrived. He came from Norway but had spent a few years in South Dakota. On the way to Alberta their things were lost. On arriving they found the lumber they had purchased for their home had been destroyed by fire and one of his cows had been shot. He had only 10 cents to last him the last six months of 1903. He eventually made a success of things, however.

OLAF SVEEN: It's pretty clear that homesteaders didn't have an easy time. Why did so many leave their homes to come to a frontier?

DR. BOURASSA: Well, we have already mentioned on other programs that Scandinavians have a strong desire to own land of their own, and they seem to like to explore but there are some practical reasons. I might mention the story of Peter Harbo Olufson. He came to the Rosebush area in 1902 when he was already 52 years old and had pioneered in Minnesota and the Dakotas. His daughter says that he was raised during a period of famine in Norway and had to work at an early age. Likewise, his wife in her youth faced the same conditions. Mr. Olufson worked a homestead in the Dakotas but at the turn of the century drought prevailed and stories of sunny Alberta, cheap land, rich crops, lured him north. Without doubt stories and letters were important in bringing people to this area.

There are a number of other notable people who might be mentioned. This will have to be postponed until later.

OLAF SVEEN: Are there other areas to be mentioned?

DR. BOURASSA: Yes, a few more. The area around Ferry Point was settled by five families, four of them of Norwegian extraction and the other Swedish. They faced the usual difficulties. A wagon carrying the goods of one family was forced to cross a body of water and the wagon box almost

floated away. They were more fortunate than many other settlers in that they managed to keep the box on the wagon.

A couple of other areas should be mentioned. The Armenia district, which is about seven miles north of Camrose had a number of Scandinavians. The first school reflects this Scandinavian influence. It was called the Thordenskjold school. Bardo, which was about 26 miles north of Camrose is another area settled by Norwegians. The group was led by Peter Bersvend Anderson. His father was a minister born in Bardo, Norway and came to Canada in 1894 when he was 73 years of age. For 5 years he was the only Norse Lutheran minister in Canada. Rev. O. N. Ronning, father of Chester Ronning was another resident in Bardo.

OLAF SVEEN: What about the town of Viking. The name certainly suggests a Scandinavian influence.

DR. BOURASSA: Yes, it certainly does. The town site was really established by the railroad in 1908. The railroad originally called the town Meighen, but later the citizens suggested other names such as Harland or Golden Valley. It was Gilbert Sorenson's suggestion of Viking which was approved by the government. The area around Viking was homesteaded before 1908, of course, but in 1900 it was just a wilderness. In 1901 ranchers came in and in 1902 a large group of Norwegians arrived. They were led by John Krenge who became one of the most prominent men in the community. Others in the group were John Lokken, Carl Borass, Nels Hagenson and Louis Knepp. Hagenson's first dwelling is described as a sod igloo. He dug a shallow excavation and cut poles with which he made an oval tepee. The outside was covered with sod and hay. It was said to be a comfortable place, although most settlers appear to have preferred log cabins.

This information I'm giving you now comes from a book called "Remember When? History Of The Viking District" written by H.G. Collier. It was loaned to us by Selmer A. Hafso the Mayor of Viking and I know we both want to thank him for the use of the book.

Looking over the list of settlers, it's clear that not as many Norwegians came to Viking as to some of the areas I've mentioned. However, in 1917, a settlement of Norwegians to the north of Viking is mentioned. This book tells several stories of the early settlers. One concerns a cattle round-up of 6-year-old steers, each weighing over a ton. One bull is said to have pulled three horses along behind him like chips on a string. Nels and Ole Hagenson were credited with being experts with lariats. Nels is said to have roped coyotes.

The "roads" in this area were as bad as those in the other areas I've mentioned. Numerous stories are given of people lost overnight. An even stranger disappearance is said to have occurred when the undertaker was bringing in a body. The trailer with coffin in it broke loose and its absence was unnoticed until his assistant called out, "My God, where's Ole?"

Another story in this book tells how Chris Amundson lost an ox which was eventually found dead. It had hung itself falling through the roof of a bank barn.

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He decided the only thing that could be done with the ox was to bury it, and got a neighbor to help with the task. A few days later the threshing machine arrived at the neighbors and, as usual, everyone gathered to help. The men all remarked on the excellent hamburger served them. Chris suggested it must have cost a lot to feed everyone. The neighbor said, "Cost me? You paid plenty for this. Why this is your ox."

The settlers also remarked on the extreme amount of water in the early years. Wild ducks are mentioned 100,000 at a time in the sloughs near town. Presumably, various drainage projects, land clearing, and beaver trapping led to the land becoming drier.

OLAF SVEEN: What about Camrose itself?

DR. BOURASSA: Well, I probably don't need to say too much about Camrose itself. I already mentioned that Ole Bakkens' homestead turned out to be in the city. There is a good deal that could be said of course. Camrose was incorporated as a city in 1955 on its 50th anniversary, and Alberta's Jubilee year. Camrose Lutheran College was established in 1912. Camrose was selected as the site partly because of the large Norwegian settlement around it.

OLAF SVEEN: Is there any more you would like to tell us?

DR. BOURASSA: Yes. Just a few more words. I'd like to mention some common themes running through the stories of these early settlers. Almost all of them mention the terrifying fires that swept across the prairies. Many stories are told of houses and buildings destroyed by these fires and the heroic efforts of the settlers to save their neighbors from such a disaster. Also prominently mentioned are the mosquitoes which made life miserable for the people and the animals. Numerous stories are told of oxen or horses, troubled by mosquitoes, finally running, plow, plowman and all, into nearby streams to escape these pests. The sod roofs of the settler's cabins are also frequently mentioned. Many are the stories of moving the babies underneath tables to avoid the leaks in these roofs. Likewise the Alberta mud is also frequently mentioned.

It's remarkable, to me anyway, to think that only 70 years ago the land was first being cleared and settled. It must have been hard for these pioneers to imagine what Alberta would be like in the 1970's. Likewise until I read over some of this material, it was difficult for me to appreciate the efforts of these early settlers. I was also surprised at the number of Norwegians amongst the settlers. It's a history to be proud of.